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1. Between 1 and 12 September 1953, the barracks installation in Droege near Fuerstenberg was occupied by about 1,500 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets. On 4 September, a truck towing a 57-mm AT gun and occupied by 1 officer and 5 to 6 men was seen entering the installation. Platoons of each 20 to 40 soldiers, armed with earlines and carrying entrenching tools and practice targets, kept entering and leaving the installation throughout the day. They went to and returned from the Carlshorst training area. All barracks buildings were fully lighted after nightfall. In the morning of 5 September, a number of troops engaged in service of the piece drill and firing practice on three 57-mm AT guns, with 1 officer and 4 to 10 men to each gun, at the drill ground north of the installation. On 6 September, three amphibious vehicles were seen on Fuergersee (lake); they entered the installation at about 2 p.m. On either side of the Fuergersee, radio sections were observed who, at about 3 p.m., were trucked to the installation. On 11 September, individual platoons left for the Carlshorst training area.

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Personnel for the Fuerstenberg komendatura, which was located near the railroad station, was furnished as previously by the units stationed in the Droege Kaserne.

2. Between 1 and 12 September, the barracks installation on Castaven See (lake) appeared to be occupied to capacity. The quartering buildings were fully lighted after nightfall. Construction work on the economic buildings was still under way. On 3 September, intensive training was observed in the barracks area.

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3. AAA emplacements determined in the area of the Fuerstenberg post included an emplacement of 5 or 6 x 37-mm guns north of Boeklinsee (lake) in Jagen (forest section) No 49; and another emplacement of 5 or 6 x 37-mm guns in the road fork formed by the Fuerstenberg-Steinforde and the Fuerstenberg-Klein Menow roads. The headquarters, which included three generals, was located in the restricted area north of Boeklinsee. Another restricted area

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was south of Roellinsee. [REDACTED]

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. Contradictory to a report of early August, this information tends to indicate that, after early September, the bulk of the 34th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt of the 12th Gds Tank Div had returned to their known quarters in Droegen. [REDACTED]

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. The 33d Gds Mtz Rifle Regt of the 9th Gds Tank Div was probably in its known installation on **Castaven** See in the first half of September.

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3. [REDACTED] Comment. The Hq Second Gds Mecz Army has been carried in the restricted area south of Roellinsee so far. The restricted area north of the lake is mentioned for the first time. According to an available map, no buildings are located on the northern shore of the lake. The AAA emplacements, from which the one near Steinfoerde was previously reported, are believed to serve as a protection for the above mentioned headquarters.

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